

EXPECT ARRESTS IN JERSEY BLAST CASE

Railroad Presidents Concerned.
Bomb Plot Hinted at by
Barge Owner.

By J. P. YODER.
NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Arrests of high-ranking officials in the \$200,000 explosion on Black Tom peninsula were expected today as a result of a long night conference between Prosecutor Hudspeh and Commissioner of Public Safety Hague, of Jersey City.
According to these officials, at least two presidents of railroads with Jersey City terminals are concerned.
These officials, before the expected arrests today, refused to say whether the men would be charged with manslaughter, as were the three men arrested and held in \$5,000 bail yesterday, or whether they would merely be charged with violation of statutes regulating shipment and storing of ammunition and explosives.
Prosecutor Hudspeh's proposed requests for warrants follow a twenty-four-hour investigation which showed that approximately 2,000,000 pounds of explosives are handled at the Black Tom peninsula and in the Jersey Central yards, near by, daily.
\$350,000,000 Shipped in Year.
From Hudspeh's figures and those furnished by W. S. Hopping, chief of the bureau of explosives, organized by the railroads, it was also shown \$35,842,488 worth of explosives were shipped from this port during May, and that more than \$350,000,000 worth of munitions for the allies had been shipped from here during the twelve months ending June 30, last.
While Hudspeh's desire is to prosecute alleged violations in the past, his ultimate aim is to force munition makers and railroads to find some other place than Black Tom, or in fact, the State of New Jersey, as a shipping point. He will be backed up by Representative Hamilton, who is said to be planning Congressional action toward prevention of another such series of explosions as shook five States Sunday.
The known death toll increased today to five, when Patrolman William O'Neil, of Jersey City, reported he had found a woman's head on Craven Point road, near Black Tom. The woman was supposed to be Mrs. Freda Wilson, wife of a barge captain. The two Wilson children are among eight known missing.

**Finds No Evidence Blast
Was Planned By Germans**
There is absolutely no evidence as yet of German agency in today's A. Bruce Bielaski, chief of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, regarding the Black Tom point explosion, which resulted in the destruction of eighty-five carloads of Shrapnel destined for the allies.
Mr. Bielaski declined to make any further statement, except to add that the Bureau of Investigation will take no action unless the New Jersey State investigators disclose suspicious circumstances that would place the matter under Federal jurisdiction.
The German government, it was pointed out at the Department of Justice, following alleged activities by official agents at the time of Boy-Ed's recall, emphatically directed German consular agents to co-operate with American authorities to preserve neutrality, and it is said, has actually been instrumental in bringing German-American conspirators to justice.
If a German agency was responsible, it seemed to be the opinion at the department that it could only be the act of an irresponsible fanatic. Assuming incendiary origin, however, officials attribute the explosion to pacifist fanatics.

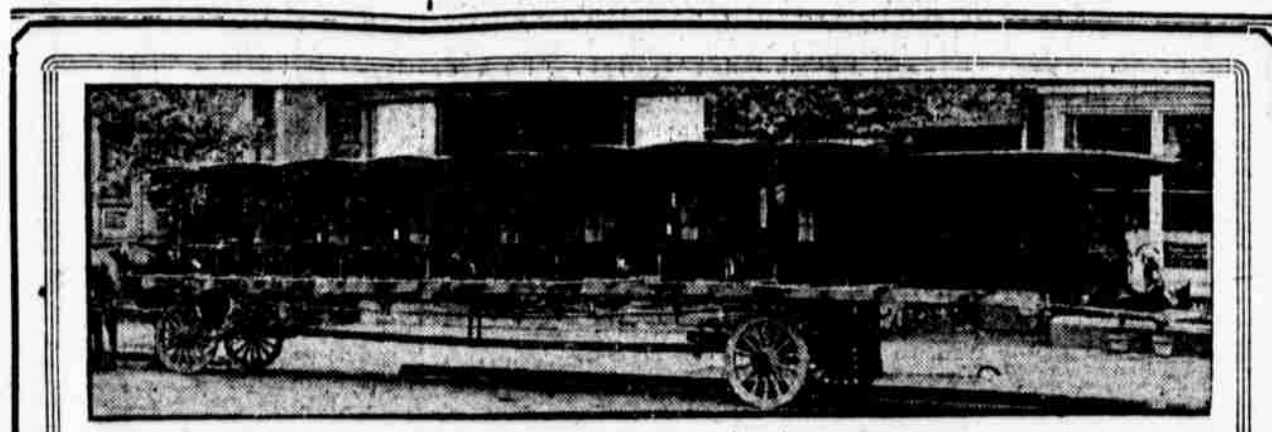
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The three battalions of infantry were taken to the drill ground in heavy marching order at 9 o'clock and a few moments later the open plain was covered with 40 little shelter tents.
Major Jackson complimented the officers on the quick time made by the militiamen in converting the drill ground into a first class temporary camp.
The tents are about four feet high, six feet long and five feet wide. Each of them holds two men when their commands are bivouacked on the field of battle. Every man carried in his blanket roll one half of a tent.
Use Experimental Tents.
A number of olive drab experimental tents were used. No poles are necessary to support them, a soldier's rifle is used to hold them up in the front part of the tent, while the rear is supported by a canvas. Because of their small size, these tents are not popular with the militiamen.
All of the militiamen, except members of the band, were equipped with the new "baby doll" of muscovee back sacks. It was observed that they made quick time in unpacking tents and blankets with the new equipment than with the old circular blanket roll.
General Harvey, Col. Glendie B. Young and Lieut. Anton Stephan accompanied Major Jackson on his tour of inspection.
Following the rigid equipment inspection, on which Major Jackson will make his report to the War Department, the three battalions were put through a close and extended order drill. Each battalion was drilled separately.
Are Released From March.
The inspection took the place of the usual ten-mile practice march and field maneuvers, and the militiamen were glad of this, because it gave them an opportunity to rest after a hard day yesterday.
All pay rolls necessary for leaving of funds to the militiamen for their services at camp during the month of July were turned over today to Major W. P. French, depot quartermaster at Fort Myer, by Captain Fullam, adjutant of the Third Regiment.
Work of setting up the pay rolls and filling in the amount due to each soldier was begun immediately in Major French's office. Probably two days will be required to complete the checking, and the militiamen will most likely be paid Thursday.
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**MEXICAN SECRETARY
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His Condition May Affect Joint
Commission Personnel.
MEXICO CITY, Aug. 1.—Jual Neftali Amador, subsecretary of foreign relations, is critically ill from an attack of heart disease. First Chief Carranza is in almost constant attendance at his bedside, with other cabinet members.
If he fails to recover, cabinet readjustments which may possibly affect the personnel of the commission to discuss the border situation with American representatives may result.

**250 GIRLS TO STUDY
AVIATION FOR ARMY**
Camp Opened in New York by
Woman's Defense League.
HUGUENOT PARK, N. Y., Aug. 1.—Lessons in aviation to equip 250 New York City girls to fly for Uncle Sam during war time will be the big feature of the women soldiers' camp of the American Women's League for Self-Defense, which opened here today.
Mrs. Ida E. Lowber, herself a woman trooper, gave the girls 100 tents they pitched among others here today.
An army officer will be at the camp daily to give the girls instructions in military tactics and setting up exercises. This officer may be Capt. Lucius C. Higgins, of the Ninth Regiment. Aeroplanes and wireless outfits are being installed at the camp today.
The girls pay \$1 a week board.

**Will of Maria S. Lyman
Disposes \$10,000 Estate**
An estate valued at \$10,000 was left by Maria Spalding Lyman, according to a petition for letters testamentary filed by Philip F. Lerner in the probate court today.
The heirs include Fannie D. Lerner, a sister, and Charles H. Lyman, a nephew. The estate includes real estate in Twentieth and C streets northwest, assessed at \$2,700, and in Harper Ferry, W. Va., valued at \$900.

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CONTINUES ATTACK ON HALF-AND-HALF

Senator Works Urges His
Amendment for Abolition of
Present Government.

Prolonged discussion of the half and half question once more took up the time of the Senate today when the District bill was brought up for consideration.
Senator Works of California. In arguing for his amendment to abolish the existing District government and supplant it with the city of Washington in direct charge of the National Government, spoke at length on the reasons why he believed the existing system was not satisfactory. He declared conduct of affairs here should in the first place be put into the hands of the National Government and in the second place should be reformed and made more businesslike.
The existing system takes out of the hands of the government business that belongs to it, said Senator Works.
In answer to a question by Senator Kenyon as to why the people of the district seem to cling so closely to the half and half system and oppose its abolition, Senator Works said: "In the first place they fear they will be overtaxed if the half and half system is abolished. In the second place, they fear that without the half and half the government will not do enough toward building up the city of Washington and making it a great capital."
Senator Smith of Maryland, chairman of the District Committee, called up the bill at 12 noon today.
Senator Smith warned that he intended to keep the bill before the Senate from this time forth until it is disposed of.
Hitherto, the bill has been repeatedly interfered with by political speeches or has been sidetracked for other things. Senator Smith hopes to crowd it to a vote by tonight if possible.
The Works amendment for the abolition of the District government was still the pending question, when the bill was taken up at noon. Senator Works took the floor and spoke further in support of his amendment.
Senator Works went back to the earlier history of the District and proceeded to fortify his argument that the District government is simply an agency of the Federal Government.
He took up the House bill, and criticized it, discussed the bill as altered by the Senate Committee and explained various features of the District taxation system. He said the District was at times subjected to overtaxation. He declared such would be the case this year.

**Church Declared Exempt
From Tax on Bank Stock**
IRENION, N. J., Aug. 1.—Bank stock owned by a charitable institution or church whose other property is exempt from taxation may not be taxed in this State, the department of taxes and assessments ruled today, reversing the Essex county tax board.

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